including abortion, contraception, and minors' rights.

Throughout her career Ms. Paul has been an advocate for reproductive freedom, and has worked on a number of landmark cases that secured for women the fundamental human and civil right to make their own child-bearing choices.

I am honored to congratulate Eve W. Paul on her retirement. Her work in the service of human rights has left the world a better place. We wish her well.

HONORING THE INDO-AMERICAN COMMUNITY FEDERATION AND ITS FOUNDING PRESIDENT, JEEVAN ZUTSHI

#### HON. FORTNEY PETE STARK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 28, 2003

Mr. STARK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Indo-American Federation and its Founding President, Jeevan, Zutshi on the occasion of the Federation's second annual Unity Dinner. Until 1995, Mr. Zutshi served as senior Vice President of the Federation of Indo-American Associations (F.I.A) focused on assisting new immigrants and educating youth.

The Indo-American Community Federation, founded in 1994, is an organization committed to promoting Indian socio-cultural heritage and the assimilation of Indo-Americans in mainstream America through participation and involvement.

In the aftermath of the September 11th terrorism attack, Mr. Zutshi convened Unity Dinner 2002 to bring the community together. Elected officials and community leaders were among the over 400 individuals representing California's diversity who attended Unity Dinner 2002. This year's Unity Dinner will be held on January 24, 2003 and will build on the success of the Federation's efforts to maintain positive intercultural ties.

Jeevan Zutshi fully exemplifies the goals of the Indo-American Federation. He has been an energetic voice for community acceptance of different cultures since he emigrated to the U.S. from Kashmir, India in 1972. In addition to the Indo-American Kashmir Forum, Mr. Zutshi is a founding member of the Indian American Friendship Council, the Federation of Indo-American Association of Northern California, and the Kashmiri Overseas Association.

I commend the Indo-American Community Federation and its founder Jeevan Zutshi for their important contributions to our community.

100TH ANNIVERSARY OF KOREAN IMMIGRATION TO THE UNITED STATES

## HON. MIKE FERGUSON

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 28, 2003

Mr. FERGUSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 100th anniversary of Korean immigration to the United States and the many contributions that Korean Americans have made to our great country.

The history of Korean Americans is rich in hard work, perseverance and the overwhelming desire to succeed. When the first Korean immigrants left their homeland in 1903, for a new world and an unknown future, they were unsure of what to expect. Numbering only 56 men, 21 women and 25 children, their journey brought with them the same hopes and dreams of all people seeking the promise of a better life in America.

For the past 100 years, thousands of Koreans have followed the lead of those first pioneers. Over the past century, Korean Americans have made numerous contributions to American society, American culture and our economy.

Today, Korean Americans are a thriving part of the American fabric and are poised to begin a new century of success in the United States. I believe their dedication to this country deserves the highest honor and praise.

I congratulate all Korean Americans on the 100th anniversary of Korean immigration to the United States. I offer my blessings for a safe and prosperous future.

TRIBUTE TO JONATHAN BYRD

### HON. JAMES E. CLYBURN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 28, 2003

Mr. CLYBURN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a native South Carolinian and extraordinary young athlete, Mr. Jonathan Byrd. With his monumental victory at the Buick Challenge last year, Mr. Byrd became the first person to win on the PGA TOUR in his rookie year since Jose Coceres. Jonathan began the season ranked 404th by the Official World Golf Ranking and, by season's end, climbed to an amazing 72nd. Those achievements earned him the well-deserved title of PGA Rookie of the Year.

Jonathan's path to athletic excellence began when he was still a toddler in his hometown of Elgin, S.C. His father, Jim Byrd and good friend and occasional golfing buddy of mine introduced Jonathan to the game of golf at the young age of three. Jonathan first began developing his skills using a 5-iron that was cut down until the grip nearly reached the hosel. He played his first nine holes when in the second grade finishing at 62, and he has only improved since.

Mr. Byrd continued to hone his talent throughout adolescence and into early adulthood. He later won the Northeast Amateur and the Carolinas Amateur, was an All-American selection for three out of his four college years at Clemson University. He was a member of the 1999 Walker Cup Team.

I have followed Jonathan's career and have had the pleasure of golfing with him in South Carolina. I can personally attest to his extraordinary talent and strength of character. His success is a reflection of the overwhelming support he has received from his family, his community, and supporters. Their investment and faith in him have been justly rewarded.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you and my colleagues to join me in applauding Mr. Byrd for his outstanding athletic achievements. His integrity and dedication to physical excellence, and mental toughness are inspiration to all. Mr. Byrd's talent will serve him, his friends and

family for many years to come. I extend my most heartfelt congratulations to Jonathan Byrd for his accomplishments, and wish him good luck and Godspeed in all his future endeavors.

# MEDICAL MONITORING FOR RESCUE WORKERS

### HON. STEVE ISRAEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 28, 2003

Mr. ISRAEL. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to urge the President to spend the funds that this Congress authorized for medical monitoring of firefighters, police officers and others who so bravely responded to Ground Zero on September 11th, 2001.

I worked closely with my colleague, Mr. CROWLEY of New York and the other members of our state's delegation to designate \$90 million to screen and evaluate emergency responders for hazardous exposure in the wake of the attacks.

Sadly, the Administration has only spent a fraction of the full amount—enough to fund only 9,000 of 40,000 medical screening examinations. Based on an initial sample of 250 WTC workers, one-half of WTC workers are experiencing ongoing pulmonary problems, ENT symptoms and mental health issues.

I am disappointed that the administration is not spending the additional funds to cover the entire population of heroes who were there when we needed them.

This is a glaring example of the most outrageous priorities. The administration supported spending \$187 billion in a farm bill to subsidize America's farmers not to grow crops, but won't spend \$90 million to subsidize the health care of America's firefighters.

Mr. Speaker, when farmers need our help, we're there for them with subsidies. When big oil wants a hand-out, we're there for them with lavish tax-breaks. But when a New York City firefighter who was on the job on September 11th needs to be screened for a breathing problem, we tell him we can't afford to help.

I was with President Bush in the immediate aftermath of the attack at Ground Zero. I admired his leadership on that day, when he stood with our firefighters in the rubble. Now, we need his leadership in standing with our firefighters in his budget.

RECOGNITION OF VISTA, CALIFORNIA'S 40TH BIRTHDAY

### HON. DARRELL E. ISSA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 28, 2003

Mr. ISSA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the occasion of the city of Vista, California's 40th Birthday. I am a long-time resident and also have the distinct honor of representing the citizens of Vista in Congress.

Forty years ago Vista was a small agricultural community located in northern San Diego County. The residents felt that the community was being neglected due to its isolation from downtown San Diego. In order for the community to grow and expand, the residents of Vista